

# GREENBELT

## News Review

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### Analysis

## Decision Time Nears on Budget, Second Public Hearing Monday

By James Giese

There will be a second public hearing on the budget at the Monday, May 24 regular council meeting. This hearing is to hear citizen comments on changes to the city manager's proposed budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2000, which were agreed to by the council at a work session held Wednesday May 19.

Unfortunately, this worksession was held after the publication deadline for this and other weekly papers, so we cannot provide information on the tentative decisions made at the Wednesday worksession.

This paper will report on the budget changes tentatively approved by the council in its next issue. Although that is too late for a reader to react to it at the public hearing, there will still be another chance for a citizen to be heard. According to City Manager Michael P. McLaughlin, council will not adopt the budget until its June 7 regular meeting. As with all agenda items before the council, citizens will have an opportunity

to be heard before the adoption comes to vote at that meeting.

While this paper cannot forecast what changes the council will make to the budget on May 19, here is a list of items that council has expressed interest in changing.

### Tax Rate

The city manager has proposed tax rate by two cents, from a \$1.47 to a \$1.49 per \$100 of assessed valuation. The council has not indicated what they will do about the tax rate, but this is an election year, and the tax rate was upped last year, so another increase probably is not very popular. On the other hand, there are a lot of things for which council would like to spend more money, and unless the city manager finds a hidden pot of gold somewhere, council will have to raise taxes to pay for these added costs. One source of available funds are the city's unappropriated reserves, surplus from prior years' operations. These funds are held back in case some special emergency

arises. However, the city manager is balancing the budget by using \$559,800 of the fund balance. That still leaves over \$2.5 million for an emergency, and the council could decide to use more of these funds for budget needs.

### Police Grants

An extra \$600 in state aid for each police officer is now anticipated, for an expected budget revenue increase of \$30,000. Another \$30,000 is expected from the Federal Local Law Enforcement Block Grant. However, these funds may not be used for currently funded programs, so the manager suggests not budgeting them as revenue, but instead authorizing their use for an unmet need of the police department at a later date. Another grant program, the COPS Grant is now expected to yield \$75,000 over three years for an additional \$25,000 in the new fiscal year. These additional grant funds would require additional city expenditures, as well.

### Aquatic Center Fees

Some councilmembers have  
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## Local Nursing Home Status Still Pending

by Elaine Skolnik

Efforts to track down reports that Extendicare Health Services, Inc. is in the process of selling the Greenbelt Nursing and Rehabilitation Center to Future Care, a corporation of nursing homes, have shed only a little light on the issue. Representatives of Extendicare, owner of the closed nursing center, and the law firm of Meyers, Billingsley, Rodbell and Rosenbaum, which speaks for the corporation, were both reluctant to discuss the current status of the facility on Greenbelt Road, either its possible sale or the existence of outstanding violations.

An attorney with the law firm said she could not comment because of "current litigation in the Hyattsville District Court" nor could she reveal the names of the plaintiffs or defendants. Extendicare has requested a continuance of a scheduled May 26 court date for municipal infractions issued by the City of Greenbelt.

Celia Craze, director of Greenbelt's Department of Planning and Community Development, noted that civil citations "well over a year old" were pending in the District Court dealing with property maintenance violations at the nursing center. Craze said: "The city will make sure violations are corrected before the center is reopened." (The State's Attorney's office handles the processing of civil citations.)

According to Carol Benner, director of the Licensing and

Certification Administration of the Maryland Department of Health, the nursing center could not reopen until a survey and inspection were conducted and any waivers noted. If there were a change of ownership, the nursing center would have to comply with today's standards, Benner said.

### History

The Greenbelt Nursing and Rehabilitation Center has been closed since December 31, 1998, following a cut-off of Medicare and Medicaid funding by federal and state regulators. This action came as the result of numerous quality care violations at the center, which had led to almost a year of inspections, surveys, a consent agreement and litigation.

The center was operated by Northern Health Facilities, Inc., a subsidiary of Extendicare Health Services, Inc., of Milwaukee. Some believe that the federal government acted too hastily in ordering the facility closed and should have allowed the federally-appointed manager more time to correct problems that had been identified in earlier surveys. However, when the owners went to U.S. District Court in Greenbelt to request a temporary restraining order on the federal order to close, the request was denied.

Eighty-two nursing home patients were relocated to other facilities in the area. Since then, the nursing center has been empty except for a handful of staff.

## FOP Seeks More Pay, Pension And Benefits Not More Officers

by James Giese

Which is better? To strengthen the police department by adding more officers to the force? Or to maintain the current high standards of the police department by increasing officer pay and benefits to encourage them to not look elsewhere for higher paying jobs at other departments? Or are things OK as is, with four new men coming aboard soon, so that nothing else needs to be done beyond the proposal of the city manager for a two percent pay increase?

This was the basic issue before the Greenbelt City Council when it met in worksession on May 17 with Fraternal Order of Police Lodge #32, the "union" which represents all Greenbelt police officers, according to its president and spokesperson, John Rogers. Many police officers, all members of the city council and a few citizens were in attendance.

Rogers presented a list of seven benefits that his organization sought of council. Leading the list was increasing the city's contribution to its retirement benefits package, a proposal that City Manager Michael P. McLaughlin said would cost \$135,000. Next was a proposal for the city to pay health insurance premiums for the 15 police officers now retired and for future retirees.

The FOP also wants to meet during the next fiscal year with

the city to discuss changes in the city pay scale, and McLaughlin agreed to meet with them. Rogers also sought a pay increase, the amount undesignated. McLaughlin is proposing that all city employees get a 2% cost-of-living raise.

The FOP also wants to change the retirement system for its officers, finding the present system high in contribution rate and inadequate in payout. A committee is to make a recommendation on this to council at a later date.

Police officers working the hours between 7 p.m. and 7 a.m. receive an extra \$1.25 per hour night differential pay. The FOP wants that upped by a dollar. A survey by the city personnel office found the current rate one of the highest paid to police officers among local jurisdictions.

Last in the FOP's list was an increase in the number of authorized Master Patrol Officers (MPOs). MPOs are private first class officers who are eligible to become corporal, having passed the corporal exam, but cannot be promoted because all corporal slots are filled. Eight MPOs are now authorized, but many more of the 30 officers at the rank of private or PFC are now or will become eligible.

### More Officers?

Mayor Judith Davis told Rogers that there was strong citizen pressure for increasing the number of police officers on the force. She didn't think that the

council could do that and increase pay and benefits at the same time, considering the limited funds available and the reluctance of many citizens to support a tax increase. She pointedly noted that police officer statements that the department was stretched to the limits encouraged citizen pressure for more officers.

Rogers responded that the comments of those officers did not reflect the position of the FOP, and that his organization believed that it was more important to improve pay and benefits. "I don't want more police officers, a new copy machine, or other things, because they don't put food in my mouth or money in my pocket."

Other officers backed up Rogers, claiming that many Greenbelt officers were concerned that they were not being paid as well as they should be and were thinking about looking for greener pastures. One officer noted that both his brother and sister were police officers in other jurisdictions, and that both were receiving higher salaries than he was, even though the sister had joined the Metropolitan Police Department after he had joined Greenbelt.

Martha Price of Windsor Green in Greenbelt East made an impassioned plea for improving police benefits. She called the Greenbelt Police Department

See FOP, page 11

## Council Okays Sponsoring Items in Roosevelt Center

by Diane Oberg

At its May 10 regular meeting, the Greenbelt City Council approved offering the opportunity to sponsor additional items in the Roosevelt Center, held a public hearing on the budget, approved additional expenditures on the new computerized accounting system, and granted additional funding to Greenbelt Access Television.

### Roosevelt Center Sponsorships

Council approved the staff recommendation to offer people the opportunity to sponsor additional items in Roosevelt Center. Previously, council approved selling sponsorships of the 14 recently planted Zelkova trees for \$400 each, to "purchase" granite pavers for \$25, and to contribute towards the renovation of the Mother and Child Statue. All 14 trees now have sponsors, with most contributions done as memorializations, according to Director of Planning and Community Development Celia Craze. She said that she had received inquiries from people wanting to sponsor, as memorials, the Lon-

don Plane trees planted along Centerway during the first phase of the renovation. She suggested allowing people to sponsor the 14 benches for \$200 each, and the existing London Planes for \$400-500 each. Council approved this recommendation on a 4-1 vote with Councilmember Rodney Roberts opposed. Roberts pointed  
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### What Goes On

**Monday, May 24, 8 p.m.**  
City Council meeting, Municipal Building

**Tuesday, May 25, 7 p.m.**  
Advisory Committee on Education, Municipal Building

**Wednesday, May 26, 8 p.m.**  
City Council worksession on electric deregulation, Community Center

**Thursday, May 27, 7:30 p.m.**  
GDC and GHI Board Meetings, Hamilton Place

**8 p.m.**  
City Council worksession on statue update and standing rules, Municipal Building



## Letters

### We As Citizens

Sometimes when I'm walking through our Great Green Belt Woods I am taken aback when I realize that none of this wilderness would be here if it were not for citizens' intervention. Thirteen years ago a 100-acre development was proposed for Parcel 1. Citizens did what they've done for decades, they intervened. They filled public hearings, wrote letters, made phone calls and educated the city council that the will of the community was to "Keep It Wooded." What moves me is the energy. All the hundreds who came out of the woodwork to support the land. What's the energy behind that? We reached a critical decisive moment and acted.

I believe that we are here again, at a very critical decisive moment in our town's history. One of the tell-tale signs of this is when our city sues the federal government over the piecemeal development of the BARC land. The question this letter poses is thus: 'How much a piece of the piecemeal is the 250 acre metro site piece?' Thirteen years ago we said no to a 100 acre development and now gloriously again we say no to 250! Parcel 1 and Indian Creek are strikingly similar. Land that we did not own, serving as a green buffer on the edge of town was threatened. Except in this case the development is so large it will require a special exit ramp off the beltway, bringing an additional 8,000 cars into town every single day! Not to mention that a vast body of wilderness land will essentially be tamed dead.

Greenbelt, let's begin again as citizens to educate on a larger scale the will of this community. The broader tactic being, educate from the governor on down. So if you have a pen or a phone or a fax machine, you can be a friend to Indian Creek. Please contact these officials and express your opposition to the development of Indian Creek, located on the Smith property. All our years of intervention have warmed us up for this intervention. The trumpets of our gallant wild lands are calling again, Greenbelt! They are calling from a place that is as green a belt as you can get. For decades we've entered battles not knowing the outcome. I believe we still live in the home of the brave. The home that knows Indian Creek has so much more to offer the coming generations. The home where that energy is gathering again, the spiritual galvanizing energy of the land that is rising up again through us, Greenbelt.

**Paul Downs**  
President, Committee to  
Save the Green Belt

P.S. If you would like an address list to write to elected officials, call me at 301-474-6708; or go to the Web Site [www.Greenbelt.com/civ/CCRIC](http://www.Greenbelt.com/civ/CCRIC)

### Historic District Vote Count Is Now Official

by Sheila Alpers, Chair  
GHI Nominations and Elections Committee

It's official - GHI members voted in favor of pursuing county Historic District status by a two-to-one margin. 774 of the 1,600 members of Greenbelt Homes, Inc., responded to the mail-in referendum - 48 percent. The results of the Historic District referendum were presented to the GHI Board of Directors at their May 13 meeting. The results will be presented to the Greenbelt City Council for further action.

The five-member Nominations & Elections Committee checked each envelope received, tallied the results, and posted them outside the GHI offices on Hamilton Place. The official counts were:

Number of responses	774
Envelopes counted	722
Envelopes excluded	52*

Yes	492
No	229
Unknown	1

\*Of the 52 envelopes excluded, 26 were received after the April 30 deadline, 17 had no name or signature, 7 had names that did not match addressee and one member had died - the envelope was returned.

How Historic District votes were counted:

The name and address on the outer envelope was checked against a numbered master list. Envelopes with no name or signature or a name that did not match the master list were put aside and not counted. The envelopes were opened and the ballot envelopes were put aside. After all the outer envelopes were opened and the ballots removed, the ballot envelopes were opened and the votes were counted. The outer envelopes were counted separately and used to check the count. If a ballot envelope contained more than one ballot, the duplicate ballot was discarded and not counted.

Members of the current N&E committee are: Sheila Alpers, Chair, Roger Brown, Andrew Nitz, Donald Ridenour and Tom Simon. A new N&E committee will be elected at GHI's Annual Meeting on Thursday, May 20, at 7:30 p.m.

### Roosevelt Center Mall Renovation Update

Concrete work continued this week. Jones Cable began installation of cable for the security cameras. The Objects Conservator arrived and began coordinating work to begin on the restoration of the Mother and Child Statue. Dedications are now being accepted for the 14 new benches to be installed and the existing 22 London Plane trees that line Centerway.

This week concrete work will continue and work on the Mother & Child Statue should begin.



Four teams from Magnolia, Greenbelt and Springhill Lake Elementary Schools and Greenbelt Middle School show how much they've learned about their local government.

- photos by Bev Palau

### School Students Learn About City Government

Magnolia Elementary School, after experiencing victory last year, repeated this accomplishment in the fifth annual "It's Municipal Government" contest. The City of Greenbelt sponsors this program to teach children about municipal government and how it affects their daily lives. Competing against Magnolia this year were sixth grade teams from Greenbelt Elementary and Greenbelt Middle schools and a fifth grade team from Springhill Lake Elementary.

The "It's Municipal Government" program targets sixth-grade students from these four schools. All students receive a brief overview about the Greenbelt city government and are given informational packets to study. Teachers then administer a test to the students, with the top five scorers moving on to compete in the contest. The next five scores belong to alternates for each school. The teams then compete for prizes and school funding.

The contest, hosted by Joe McNeal, was held at the Greenbelt Community Center during Municipal Government Week, April 19-23. As teachers, parents and runners-up cheered, the four teams showed everyone just how well they had prepared. In the first round, the question and answer period, Magnolia Elementary, quick on the buzzer, took a commanding lead. Greenbelt Elementary followed, with Greenbelt Middle and Springhill Lake Elementary right behind.

The second round of the contest asked the teams to place the correct labels on a blank city organizational chart. In this round it was obvious that the students could teach the city staff about the government they work for. Three of the four teams received a perfect 10 out of 10 in this round, earning bonus points. The fifth grade Springhill Lake team was also impressive, getting 8 of the 10 correct.

By the third round, the relay race, first place was still within reach of every team. All put forth an effort to score many points in this round. When the smoke cleared, Magnolia had taken on a commanding lead with 280 points. Greenbelt Elementary followed with 235 points, just ahead of Greenbelt Middle with 225 points. The Springhill Lake fifth graders had a respectable showing, of 175 points.

All of the teams proudly

earned checks for their respective schools and all were treated to a pizza party sponsored by 3 Brothers Pizza immediately after the contest. All were presented with

certificates from the city to show its pride in its elementary school students. The contest will be shown periodically on Channel B-10 over the next few weeks.



### Magnolia Elementary Winning Team

L-R: Srikant Tekumalla, Preethi Kumar, Daniel Lee, Ibrahim Bouaichi, and Folasayo Adunola.  
Coach (not pictured): Chloe Giampaolo.

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### Greenbelt Little League Standings

As of Monday 5-17-99

American League		National League	
	W L		W L
Giants	7-1	Cardinals	6-1
Athletics	7-1	Indians	1-5
Orioles	6-2	Cubs	1-7
Tigers	1-6	Lions	1-7

All Star Game Sunday May 23 2:00 McDonald Field.



## Co-Op Donates Books to Schools

The Greenbelt Consumer Cooperative, a food store in the center of Greenbelt owned and controlled by its approximately 4,000 member-owners, recently supported the Greenbelt community and the students of Greenbelt with contributions to the Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Education (ACE) Buy a Book program and the ACE Scholarship program.

At the May 10 ACE awards program for students, Leta Mach, ACE chair and a board member of the Greenbelt Consumer Cooperative, presented two books to each school on behalf of the Greenbelt Consumer Cooperative. The books were selected from the

## GHI Notes

The Nominations and Elections Committee will meet May 25 at 7:30 p.m. in the GHI library.

The Architecture and Environment Committee will meet May 26 at 7:30 p.m. in the Board Room.

The next scheduled Board of Directors meeting will be on May 27. Members are encouraged to attend.

list the schools have indicated they would like. Notebooks with these lists are available at Bookland in Beltway Plaza and Crown Books in Greenway Center.



Greenbelt Consumer Cooperative Board Members Tom Lammons, Jim Cassels, Jill Stevenson (from left), and Paul Rall (right) with Co-op Manager Bob Davis admire the books the cooperative donated to the Greenbelt schools as part of the ACE Buy a Book program.  
- photo by Leta Mach

## Golden Age Club

by Dolores Capotosto

John Taylor will show a video of the Panama Canal cruise itinerary at the golden Age Club meeting scheduled for Wednesday, May 26, at 11 a.m. in the Multipurpose Room of the Greenbelt Community Center. Additional pictures taken by John Taylor and Bob Terrell may also be on display.

On Tuesday, June 15, Goldenagers will travel to Bowie for a BaySox game. A buffet will be included in the price. Also, on Monday, June 28, a trip is planned to St. Michaels, MD.

The Golden Age Club's Yard Sale will be held on Saturday, June 12. It is hoped that it can be held in the remodeled Roosevelt Center, but if that's not possible it will be on the lawn of the Community Center. Bill Souser reports that donations are coming in. Bring items to the Senior Lounge or call if help is needed for large items. Also, see Bill Souser to sign up to help.

Those who haven't seen pictures of Irene Hensel's twin grandchildren should ask to see their adorable pictures. The babies will soon join their parents, Frank and

Jeanne Taylor at home. Good luck to all, especially big brother, Jack.

Come out to the meetings and get active.

The Greenbelt Golden Age Club members will be taking two trips in June. On Tuesday afternoon, June 15, the bus will depart the Greenbelt Library at 5:30 p.m. to go and see the Bowie Bay Sox (Class AA - Baltimore Orioles) play the Trenton Thunder (Red Sox). There is a cost for transportation and the reserved box seats.

The second June trip will be a cruise from Annapolis to St. Michaels on the Eastern Shore. Bus departure from the Greenbelt Library parking lot will be at 8:40 a.m. on Monday, June 28. The return bus will arrive at about 6:30 p.m. in Greenbelt. There is a cost for the bus and cruise trip. Food and drink may be purchased aboard ship or during the three-hour stop at St. Michaels when participants are on their own. For further details contact John Taylor at 301-345-1608.

## At the Library

Wednesday, May 26, 7 p.m., P.J. Storytime for ages 4-6.

On Thursday, May 27, at 10:15 a.m., Toddler Time and Drop-In Storytime will be held for ages 2-6 and parent or caregiver. There will be a special program: "Teddy Bears Picnic."

## Have Some Greenbriar Wine and Cheese

Greenbriar will host a wine and cheese party for Greenbriar/Glen Oaks residents Friday, May 28 from 7 - 11 p.m. to kick off 1999 summer activities. Participants must be 21 or over. Entertainment will be provided by Kenney Holmes, performer of Jazz, R&B, Oldies, Motown, Country, Blues, Reggae and more. Come on out and relax and refresh the night before the pool opens at Greenbriar. For tickets or further information, call 301-441-1096.

## Swim Team Dives Into Summer Season Plans

by Leslie Hilliard

Who besides Darth Vader is known for black suits? The Greenbelt Municipal Swim Team (GMST)! You'll see lots of those black suits with the green and white GM logo at the pool this summer.

GMST is holding registration for new swimmers at the pool on Monday, May 24 and Tuesday May 25 from 5 - 6 p.m. Registration is open to swimmers ages 6 to 18 who are Greenbelt residents or non-residents with summer membership at the Greenbelt Aquatic Fitness Center.

The season starts June 1 and runs through the end of July. From June 2 to June 17, practice is Monday through Friday from 4:55 to 5:55. Morning practices begin June 18 and depending on the swimmer's age are within the 7 a.m. to 9 a.m. timeframe. Water polo instruction is also offered for older swimmers.

Swimming isn't the only thing GMST does - there is always time to hang out with friends. There are pot luck dinners, picnics, ice cream socials and the not-to-be-missed "End-of-season Splash Party."

This year the swim team will be donating proceeds from the Swim-a-thon, along with a portion of the proceeds from a car wash and the swim meet concessions to the American Heart Association. The donation is in memory of Brad Hilton, a swim team parent who never tired of volunteering his time, participating at every meet both home and away. He will be missed.

For more information on GMST, visit the website at: [www.greenbelt.com/swimteam](http://www.greenbelt.com/swimteam). Call 301-474-7504.

## CCRIC Seeks Small Watershed Grant

by Barbara Young

At the group's regular meeting on May 16, Chair Kate Spencer of CCRIC (Citizens to Conserve and Restore Indian Creek) reviewed the "Small Watershed" grant application which she had prepared and which has gone for possible funding to the Alliance for the Chesapeake Bay.

She announced that the Four Cities group (comprised of Greenbelt, College Park, Berwyn Heights and New Carrollton) had met and passed a resolution opposing the Metroland proposal for the Greenbelt Metro site.

Plans for future stream walks were reviewed, including the Paint Branch stream walk on Saturday, June 5 from 10 to 1, and the "Wild Walk" set for Sunday, June 6 at 10 a.m. outside Greenbelt Metro. Possibilities for a Labor Day table or booth were discussed as well as the need for refreshments on "movie night." Fund-raising was also discussed.

Concerned citizens are invited to attend the next CCRIC meeting on Sunday, May 23, at 5 p.m. in the Greenbelt Community Center's senior classroom. There will be no meeting on Sunday, May 30, owing to the holiday. For further information, call 301-441-3844 and leave a message.

## See Antique Cadillacs

The annual free spring Cadillac LaSalle show will be held by the Potomac Cadillac - LaSalle Club this Sunday, May 23, beginning at 10 a.m. at Capitol Cadillac, 6500 Capitol Drive.

About 60 cars will be on display both inside and out, rain or shine. For information, call 301-424-0059 or 703-437-6820.

## Greenbriar Festival Is This Saturday

The Greenbriar/Glen Oaks 2nd Annual Community Festival will be held Saturday, May 22 from 1 - 5 p.m. on the grounds of the Greenbriar Community Building at 7600 Hanover Parkway. (Rain date is Sunday.) This is a free event for Greenbriar/Glen Oaks residents. Participants will enjoy face painting, moon bounce, ball crawl, karaoke and sports competitions for all ages. Free food will be served during the day. Representatives will be on hand from the Greenbelt Police and Fire Departments with informative materials and Kim's Karate students will provide a karate demonstration. Residents must have a valid 1999 recreation pass to participate. No parking will be allowed in the parking lots at the community building except for workers and limited space for handicapped individuals. All other parking will be on Hanover Parkway. Residents are encouraged to walk to the festival, if possible. An awards presentation will occur at 4:45 p.m. For more information, call 301-441-1096.



Two women pose in a Greenbelt model home furnished in Modern style by the Resettlement Administration.  
- photo courtesy Greenbelt Museum

## Museum Will Offer Talk & Slide Show

The Greenbelt Museum will present a public talk and slide show by Megan Searing, Parsons School of Design, M.A. Program in American Decorative Arts, on Wednesday, May 16 at 8 p.m. in the Multipurpose Room in the Community Center. Searing's

presentation is entitled, "Modified Modern: Greenbelt Women and Home Decoration, 1937 - 1940." She will examine how Greenbelt women melded modern and traditional styles in furnishing their homes. For information, call 301-507-6582.



## PRELIMINARY AGENDA MEETING OF GHI BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Thursday, May 27, 1999

7:30 P.M.

GHI Board Room

### Key Agenda Items

- Designation of GDC Stockholders
- Establish Board Meeting Procedures
- Set Summer Meeting Schedule
- Schedule Board/Audit Committee Training
- Underground Utility Contract (2nd Reading)
- Oil Tank Removal Contract (2nd Reading)
- Warehouse Roof Replacement Contract (2nd Reading)
- Tree Liability Policy
- Oak Tree—56-C Crescent
- Executive Session: Member Complaint

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Board meetings are open to members

## New Deal Cafe

Open  
Fri & Sat,  
7-11 pm



Music  
8:30 pm  
No cover

Friday, May 21  
Myriad  
featuring Gina DeSimone  
& Izolda Tractenberg

Saturday, May 22  
Iris Hirsh  
of Partners in Song

Donations for Musicians Encouraged  
Sunday Brunch 10 to 2

Greenbelt Community Center

(301) 474-5642



## OLD GREENBELT THEATRE

WEEK OF May 21  
A Midsummer  
Nights Dream PG 13

See it on our giant screen!

Fri. 5:00 (All seats \$3.00)

7:30, 9:50

Sat. 5:00 (All seats \$3.00)

7:30, 9:50

Sun. 5:00 (All seats \$3.00)

7:30

Mon. - Thurs. 7:30

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## Synagogue Installs New Rabbi Here

by Altoria Bell Ross  
Greenbelt resident Jonathan Cohen works in a place where God dwells and reveals His teachings, known in Hebrew as "Mishkan Torah." It is here where Cohen will be officially installed as the rabbi of the community's synagogue on Sunday, May 23.



Jonathan Cohen, to become rabbi of Mishkan Torah, May 23.

Cohen, a 49-year-old native of Montreal, graduated from McGill University in economical history. Then he studied computer programming at a junior college, using those skills in creating computer manuals as a technical writer and in teaching college business writing. Cohen also employed his language skills to translate documents from French to English. Despite his career advancements, he said he desired more out of life.

"I wanted to feel that I'd live my life usefully and productively," he said. "I wanted to apply the skills to something more important."

So in 1992, Cohen began rabbinical school with 84 other students in Philadelphia. After he spent six years there, a placement

director suggested he apply for the job in Greenbelt. After graduation last year, his wife, Mona Baumgarten, and their four-year-old son, Reuben, relocated to this area.

"We love Greenbelt and are totally delighted to be here," he said. "We see our life in Greenbelt." So do the members.

"The synagogue doesn't see itself as in isolation, but a part of the community," he said. Mishkan Torah holds an annual ecumenical Thanksgiving service the Wednesday before the holiday. Cohen also represented the synagogue by participating in a joint chaplain service at the American Legion Post #136 in February. In June, he will join other clergy at the baccalaureate services at Roosevelt High School. The tradition of working with the community goes back to the early days of Greenbelt. In 1952 volunteers of many religions helped members of the synagogue construct its present building.

"It ain't fancy, but a whole lot of love went into every brick," said Cohen, who added that it took the determined group three years to complete the project.

Cohen would like to continue to lay foundations and build, but in a different manner. Starting in September, he will begin teaching basic Judaism courses through May 2000. These courses and the installation service that requires reservations are open to the public. He added, "I hope it (the synagogue) continues to be a place where people can find community."

## Smile Herb Festival

by Nelda Young  
Smile Herb Shop will host an Herb Festival on May 22 and 23 to celebrate 25 years of serving the herbal and holistic health care needs of the community. All-day celebrations, events, and tours of the international herb garden will be featured on Saturday from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Sunday from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Lectures will be given on a variety of topics, including growing your own echinacea to enhance the immune system, using lemon grass to knock out colds or flu, and using herbs as insect repellents.

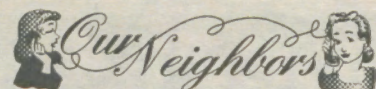
More than 350 varieties of herbs are featured in Smile's extensive organic herb garden on site. A highlight this weekend will be the Y2K Herb Garden. Leroy Wilton, "The Herberman," will provide recipes and samples of herbal cooking.

On May 22 at 10:15 a.m., Claudia Wingo, an Australian medical herbalist and registered nurse, will speak on the subject

of the male reproductive and urinary system, including herbal solutions to common problems. At 1:30 p.m., the topic will be the female reproductive system including infertility and menopause. A fee will be charged for these lectures.

The public is invited to enjoy this special event of music by members of the U.D.C. Jazz Band on Saturday and the Howard High School Jazz Band on Sunday, attend the workshops, chat with experienced herbalists, taste free food, and purchase lavender pancakes. During the festival, discounts are available on all full-priced items, except plants.

Smile Herb Shop is located at 4908 Berwyn Road in College Park. For information call 301-474-8791



Condolences to Fred Ford and family. His wife Mary died on April 30.

Congratulations to Miguel Jose Pereira, son of Manuel Pereira and Nancy Boardman of Rosewood Drive. Miguel, who attended Eleanor Roosevelt, has now graduated from the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor with a bachelor of science degree.

Mira Batra graduated from Mount Sinai School of Medicine on May 14. Mira, the daughter of Suzanne and Lekh Batra of 45 Court Ridge Road, is a graduate of Eleanor Roosevelt High School and Cornell University.

Long time neighbors and friends Mary Lou Williamson, daughter Carolyn Jolly and her daughter Meredith (nine months) took the Metroliner to New York City for the graduation at Lincoln Center and Mira's 35th birthday celebration on May 15. Mira and Carolyn were office girls for the News Review many years ago.

The Williamson clan stayed in a small old hotel a block from Central Park and took taxis everywhere. (Don't ask about their misadventures on the subways with the loaded double stroller and the suitcase on wheels piled high with diaper bag and other stuff.) Jim Williamson stayed home to baby sit Katie Jolly, age 2 1/2, with help from her cousin Sophia Kean.

Mira treated her friends to dinner after the graduation at Gus's Place in Greenwich Village on Waverly Place and Gus provided champagne on the house.

The weekend would have been really grand had Suzanne and Lekh been able to join the party as planned. Lekh is in the Washington Hospital Center following a stroke.

"The First 90 Years" was the theme of a Celebration for Mary Downs, mother of Jack Downs, longtime Greenbelter. The clan of about 90 friends and family members gathered at Greenbriar's Party Room to pay tribute to this remarkable lady, who prepared for the day by painting her porch, getting the house ready for "family." And they came; son Joe and Marcia, from Myrtle Beach, daughters Mary, from Shrewsbury, PA and Kathleen and Mark from Mesa, AZ. The family is now spread from coast to coast and was represented by nearly all the grandchildren and the great-grandchildren. Mary was honored with many letters, poems, drawings and photos.

Susan D. Lower, a faculty member at Eleanor Roosevelt High



Joe McNeal, Recreation and Leisure Services branch chair; Haley Hilliard, 1 1/2 years old (holding plaque); Larry Hilliard, Greenbelt New Year '98 Committee Chair; Wesley Hilliard, 7 years old.

## Greenbelt's New Year Wins State Award

On Thursday, January 21, Larry Hilliard and the Greenbelt New Year '98 committee were presented with the Recreation and Leisure Services (RALS) Innovative Program Award. This award is given twice a year to the most innovative program in the state of Maryland. The Recreation and Leisure Services branch of the Maryland Recreation and Parks Association chose the Greenbelt New Year '98 program because of the innovative way in which the

committee developed and implemented this innovative program.

The award was presented to Larry Hilliard, Greenbelt New Year '98 committee chair, at Quiet Waters Regional Park in Anne Arundel County at the Maryland Recreation and Parks Association general membership meeting. The Greenbelt New Year '98 committee was one of ten programs and groups nominated for this award.

School has been named recipient of the Distinguished High School Teacher Award by Western Maryland College, which will be presented by the college's president at commencement on May 22. Graduates of Western Maryland College's 1999 senior class nominated Lower as a teacher who best fulfilled their ideal of an outstanding teacher, who best prepared them for success in college.

A teacher for 13 years, Lower joined Eleanor Roosevelt's faculty in 1991. She currently teaches astronomy, environmental science and geology to juniors and seniors. A sponsor of the Ecology Club and two Environ-thon teams, she developed the ERHS curriculum in astronomy, which includes stargazing parties, as well as visits to planetariums. She graduated from the University of Maryland in 1972 with a bachelor's degree in

biology education and has completed specialized high school science teaching courses at the University of Texas, the Summer Biology and Environmental Biology Institutes at the University of Maryland and Geology of the Canyonlands at the University of Utah. Lower has been nominated twice for the Tandy Science Teachers Award and for "Who's Who Among American Teachers."

## Discover Plant Dyes

Discover how plants deliver beautiful dyes at this free informal, drop-in session for all ages. The session will be held in the National Herb Garden at the U.S. National Arboretum on May 22 and 23, 1-3 p.m.

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**Saturday 5 p.m.**

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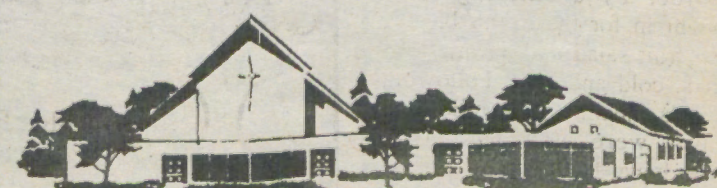
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Prince George's County Memorial Library 1,000-hour awardees: (l. to r.) Eileen Peterson, Greenbelt branch; Linda Diggs, Oxon Hill; Robert Mainzer, Bowie; and Board member Rebecca Gitter, who presented the awards for the Board of Library Trustees.  
- photo courtesy Prince George's County Memorial Library

## Library Volunteers Feted

by Eileen Farnham

A Prince George's County Memorial Library System Volunteer Recognition Program was held at the New Carrollton Library on April 23. Approximately 100 volunteers and library staff gathered for brunch and entertainment in a gala morning put on by the library to recognize contributions made by volunteers at all its branches. Awards are also presented at this annual event to volunteers reaching special milestones of service - 100 hours, 500 hours, 1,000 hours, 2,500 hours, and just occasionally, a long-timer with as much as 5,000 hours of volunteer service to county libraries.

The assemblage had an opportunity to meet the newly chosen library director, Bart Kane, who also addressed and thanked the group for their many services to the library system.

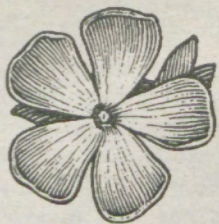
As always, Greenbelt was well represented, with familiar faces among library staff and the many townspeople who volunteer time at their beloved local library. Volunteer endeavors represented include a wide range, from volunteering in the book store, organizing library events, delivering interoffice mail, shelving books and other administrative tasks, as well as reading to homebound and nursing home patients.

This year, awards went to Greenbelt volunteers Jean Cook and Enid Hodes for 100 hours service and to Marli Loch-Paolino for 500 hours. They received special library volunteer mugs and bookbag, respectively. An award was presented to library advocate extraordinaire and News Review staffer Eileen Peterson for 1,000 hours of service. She returned from the podium clutching a covered glass box imprinted with the library's recognition. Peterson has achieved her service over a 12 year period, working exclusively in the library used-book store, Novel Endings. She also handles press releases on special activities sponsored by the Friends of the Greenbelt Library.

The morning started off with omelettes, individually prepared to order by a catering team brought in for the event, bagels, fresh fruit salad and a variety of drinks, cold and hot. Following the gala meal, service milestone awards were made and door prizes drawn for books, videos, t-shirts, and flowers. Entertainment was provided by some especially talented library staffers who moonlight in the fields of

music and storytelling. Ballads were sung and the group was led in rounds of "Oh, How Lovely is the Evening" and participated in the storytelling - playing follow the leader in a rousing exercise of "Bill, Are You Busy?" The crowd was introduced to what should fast become a library standard, "Having Fun Isn't Hard When You've Got a Library Card," sung and acted by Nedra Davis and Kelley Perkins.

As News Review music critic Nick Mydra would say, if you missed it, maybe next time. Potential library volunteers are welcome to pitch in. A quick visit to the library and an application to identify areas of interest and ability are all that is needed to participate in the fun and launch a community endeavor that has a special place in the heart of booklovers.



Popular library storyteller, Bill Mayhew, tells his tales at the anniversary celebration.



Judy Goldstein and Linda Martin keep the cookie stand going at the Friends of the Greenbelt Library 60th Anniversary Celebration.

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Rose and Joe Remenick hand out shopping bags.



Prit Pancholi, 10, shows off his face painting at the Library celebration.

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Mayor Judith Davis swears in the administrative officers and line officers at the Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad, Inc., and Ladies Auxiliary's 44th anniversary banquet and awards ceremony March 20. Left to right: Mayor Davis, President Jay Remenick, Vice President Kenny Stair, Secretary Wayne Lewis,

Treasurer Peggy Dutton, Trustee Eddie Hughes, Trustee/Assistant Chief Randy Krob, Deputy Chief Brian Rudy, Captain Ted Sacra, Captain Matt Palmerton, Lieutenant Jason Morgal, Lieutenant Tony Sluder, and EMS Sergeant Amy Thomas. Chief Gene Davis was absent. -photo courtesy of GF&RS

## Greenbelt Fire Department Holds 44th

by Dennis Jelalian

On March 20, the Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad, Inc., and Ladies Auxiliary held their 44th anniversary banquet and awards ceremony.

The evening began with cocktails at 6 p.m. President Jay A. Remenick made welcoming remarks at 7 p.m. The invocation was offered by Ladies Auxiliary chaplain, Margaret McKenney. Among the guests was Roy Messleck, representing Governor Glendening, who presented a citation honoring the Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad, Inc.; and the Ladies Auxiliary. The citation was signed by the governor and Maryland Secretary of State John T. Willis.

Other guests included Mayor Judith Davis and some members of the city council, some city staff members, and representatives of other local fire departments, including Berwyn Heights, Riverdale, and Branchville.

Remenick made remarks about the accomplishments and goals of the department for the past year. Membership, fundraising, and improvements to the station and the equipment are all up. The department has sold engine 351. A new pumper is on order, and should be delivered by July. The bull and crab roast was sold out. A contract has been let with an architect to renovate the bunkroom.

Remenick remarked that the Fire Prevention Week Open House was a huge success. He added that Frank Underwood and John Hughes stole the idea for the Branchville Fire Department, which drew laughter. The department needs a new ambulance, which they hope the county will provide. The department plans to ask the county to replace the old ambulance as soon as possible.

Other needs include new bifold doors, resurfacing the floor in the engine room, replacing lighting fixtures, the soda cooler, tables and chairs. Remenick concluded by thanking the city, the county, and the state for their ongoing support.

Dinner was catered by the Cozy Restaurant, of Thurmont, and was served buffet style.

### Awards Presented

After dinner, awards were presented by President Jay A. Remenick, Deputy Chief Brian T. Rudy, and Ladies Auxiliary

President Nancy Remenick.

The combined President's and Chief's award went to Alex Szachnowica.

Administrative officer's awards went to President/Trustee Jay Remenick, Vice President/Trustee Kenny Stair, Secretary/Trustee Wayne Lewis, and Trustees Gene Davis, Jack Snoddy, Eddie Hughes, and Randy Krob.

The following fire department members were awarded pins for years of service: Jason A. Morgal, Anthony W. Sluder, five years; D. Christopher Fleshman, Billy G. Mims, Jr., 15 years; Jay A. Remenick, Matthew W. Weber, 25 years; William R. Bingham, 30 years; and Walter V. Dutton, 45 years. A plaque and a pin for 50 years was presented to John E. Snoddy for his outstanding service.

James A. Stratchko became the newest life member of the department.

Ted Sacra won the Chief's award.

Line officers awards went to Chief Gene Davis, Deputy Chief Brian Rudy, Assistant Chief Jack (Randy) Krob, Captain Ted Sacra, Captain Mike Burt, Captain Matt Palmerton, Lieutenant Jason Morgal, Lieutenant Tony Sluder, and EMS Sergeant Amy Thomas. The Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad, Inc. answered a total of 2,597 calls in 1998. The top 15 runners for 1998 were Chris Ransom, 964; Ted Sacra, 851;

Brian Tayman, 826; Matt Palmerton, 724; Greg Mangum, 668; Jason Morgal, 589; Mike Burt, 583; Tony Sluder, 467; Rob McGraw, 458; Wayne Lewis, 377; Randy Mangum, 369; Greg Baucum, 335; Todd West, 313; Tommy Ray, 283; and John Krob, 225.

Jay A. Remenick won a Leadership award for six and a half years of consecutive service as president.

Nancy Remenick won an Appreciation award for her dedication and the time she has spent working behind the scenes.

The city, council and staff received a plaque for their continued support to the betterment of the department.

The Ladies Auxiliary presented the department with new entranceway furniture and a check for \$4,000.

### Ladies Auxiliary

The Ladies Auxiliary officers for the coming year are: Nancy Remenick, president; Teresa Crisman, vice president; Teri Heinicke, secretary; Theresa Wynkoop, treasurer; Pauline Bordas, historian; Margaret McKenney, chaplain; and Dorothea Leslie, guard.

The Ladies Auxiliary officers were sworn in by Sandi Lutz, president of the Ladies Auxiliary to the Prince George's County Fire and Rescue Association.

The administrative officers and line officers were sworn in by Mayor Judith Davis.

## COUNCIL

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out that the amount of money raised through sponsorships was very small (roughly \$10,000) relative to the total cost of the project. He thought it "tacky" to put plaques on too many items in the center.

Craze noted that the plaques would be small. The trees will be marked with a three inch square plate fastened flush against the eight foot square tree grates. The benches would likely get a slightly larger plaque. The pavers, by council's direction, are not engraved. To date just one plaque has been sponsored. ("That's mine!" exclaimed Mayor Judith Davis.) One of the reasons, Craze said, was that without engraving they are not of interest to those wishing to memorialize someone.

After the vote, Councilmember Alan Turnbull suggested lowering the price of the pavers to encourage sponsorships. Craze suggested allowing people to donate whatever amount they wish and put all the names on a list of contributors. This is similar to what is being done with the statue renovations where contributors' names will be listed on a single plaque.

### Public Hearing on Budget

Just two people spoke at the public hearing on the budget. Jay Remenick, President of the Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad, gave council copies of the blueprints for the firehouse renovation. The renovation will provide sleeping space for six more people, he said. The fire department is asking for \$82,000, in addition to the \$150,000 already budgeted in the city's capital improvements budget for the renovation, to cover the cost of the sprinkler and alarm system.

Lee Shields, a past president of the Friends of the Greenbelt Museum, asked council for "anything you can give" for the museum.

The Greenbelt East Advisory Committee has sent in a letter

asking that the Schrom Hills Park softball and soccer field lighting projects be dropped from the list of unfunded possible future capital projects.

### Legislation

Council gave final approval to an ordinance authorizing the city to borrow not more than \$100,000 from Crestar Bank for additional computer software for the financial reporting system. This brings the total cost of the system to \$305,000. City Treasurer Jeffrey Williams assured council that no additional requests would be forthcoming and that he still considered the system to be a good purchase considering that Bowie and College Park had paid \$600,000 and \$500,000 for their financial systems, respectively.

Council approved an ordinance allowing vehicles without Green Ridge House permits to park in that facility's parking lot during designated hours. Current city policy sets those hours as 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

### Greenbelt Access Television

Council unanimously approved providing Greenbelt Access Television (GATE) with \$22,000 the city will be receiving as part of the recent settlement of the cable franchise negotiations, along with \$4,000 the city had retained from a 1995 payment. The city and GATE will develop an agreement that allows the city to use GATE facilities in exchange for ongoing financial support. The current payments will serve as the payment for fiscal year 2000, which begins July 1.

### Other Actions

As part of the consent agenda, council appointed Dennis Jelalian to the Arts Advisory Board.

Council referred the Greenbelt American Legion's request for \$500 towards the cost of new uniforms to the Park and Recreation Advisory Board for review and comment.

As part of the consent agenda, council approved a barter with AsiaVision, Inc. to produce and air a 30-second ad for the aquatic and fitness center in exchange for a corporate pass to that facility.

## Greenbelt Municipal/Public Access TV Channel B-10 Schedule

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Monday, May 24 at 8:00 p.m.

City Council Meeting "live"

Tuesday & Thursday, May 25 & 27

6:30 p.m. "Y2K Prep List-Y2K Committee"

7:30 p.m. "Replay of City Council 5/24"

PUBLIC ACCESS PROGRAMMING 301-507-6581

Wednesday & Friday, May 26 & 28

7:00 p.m. "Women's Work"

7:30 p.m. "The Arts in Greenbelt"

8:00 p.m. "Public Safety"

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Pleasant Touch  
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Starbuck's Coffee  
TGI Friday's  
3 Brother's Pizza



## ATTENTION GHI MEMBERS Community Beautification Program

Phase II of the 1999 Community Beautification Program is on schedule. By May 21st the second inspections will have been completed from the 73 Court of Ridge thru the 10 Court of Plateau for units with citations. The units scheduled for the week May 24th thru May 28th will be those from the 30 thru 55 Courts of Ridge, Northway and the 2,4,6 & 8 Courts of Plateau.

Further updates will be posted weekly in the News Review. All questions, comments, or suggestions should be directed to Phillip Rondeau at (301) 474-4161 ext. 132. When possible, calls will be answered within 24 hours.



# BUDGET

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expressed reluctance to income the fees at the Greenbelt Aquatic and Fitness Center by 2%, as was proposed by the manager. The affect upon city revenues is yet to be determined.

## Apartment License Fees

It was proposed that fees for inspecting rental properties be increased by \$10 per apartment and \$5 per rental home. This would net \$50,000 in revenues to pay for costs of the Planning and Community Development Department.

## Council Expenses

Councilmembers expressed an interest in changing the compensation paid to councilmembers. Such a change would not go into effect until the new members of council take office next November.

## Administration

Council added in worksession as an unmet need establishing the position of assistant city manager. The cost of an assistant manager, including benefits, would be \$62,382—less if the position established were that of an assistant to the city manager.

## Police

Council has received citizen pressure to add more police officers. Four added officers, authorized this fiscal year but never hired, will come on-line early in the next fiscal year. The annual cost for each police officer added over and above those four would be \$72,000.

The Greenbelt Fraternal Order of Police (FOP) gave the council a seven item list of improved benefits that the organization wants for its members. Heading the list was increased contributions by the city to each officer's deferred compensation. McLaughlin estimates the cost of this proposal to be \$135,000.

Two councilmembers (Edward Putens and Alan Turnbull) expressed an interest in increasing the number of officers who could become Master Police Officers (MPO). An MPO is a PFC who has met the qualifications and passed the test for Corporal, but can't be promoted because there are no vacancies. MPO's are now limited to eight. The councilmembers would like to permit any qualifying officer to become an MPO. Presently 19 officers are eligible. The added cost would be about \$20,000.

Additional surveillance cameras were discussed for various locations such as Attick Park, Schrom Hills Park and at overpasses. No cost figure is available.

McLaughlin told council that the cost next year for city contributions to the state retirement system for police pensions will be \$35,000 less—money that could be used to fund other proposed police expenses.

## Public Works

Added to the list of unmet needs that council might consider funding were \$7,000 for a materials storage area and \$6,000 for an irrigation head. There might also be a \$9,000 savings in the budgeted cost for purchasing a street sweeper.

## Recreation

Funding an arts coordinator and the relationship of that person to GAVA is an issue still to be resolved by the council.

Various recreation groups asked for more money than proposed by the city manager. If these requests are honored for

## Background

# Reporting Budget Actions Is a Longtime Problem

by James Giese

How to get the budget adopted and keep the citizens informed about what it is doing has always been a problem for the Greenbelt City Council. The council must work under a tight schedule, having only the months of April and May to review the city budget which grows more complex each year. Its final decisions on changes have almost always been made too late for the press to report on them before the budget is adopted. Back in the old days, council would make changes to the manager's budget at the meeting at which the budget was adopted.

Individual councilmembers would come in and toss out for the first time their proposals for change. Some would fly, some would not. The city manager would sit there with an adding machine and mark up the budget and re-add figures as the evening went along. (He didn't have a staff, then).

Al Skolnik, then President of the News Review and the paper's number one budget reporter (he knew budgeting better than anyone else in the room), would get up at each budget adoption meeting and complain that the citizens had no way of knowing what council was up to. He urged

council to announce their planned budget changes in advance of actually doing them.

Finally, a meeting occurred at which the changes flew fast and furious and the hour grew late. The city manager threw up his hands and announced that he couldn't get the figures to add up right and asked the council to call a special meeting for another day to adopt the budget. After that, the council decided to squeeze a final budget worksession into their busy schedule at which tentative final changes to the budget could be made. This allowed the city manager and staff time to add up the totals and prepare the budget and appropriation ordinances in final form for adoption. However, the final worksession always seemed to fall on the Wednesday before the meeting at which the budget was to be adopted—too late for this paper to report timely on what council decided.

Having a final budget work session made the city manager happy, but Al kept on complaining. Unfortunately, he died before he could get the council to see the error of its ways.

This year, council decided to do things differently because of what happened last year. It was then the council decided to raise the city tax rate at the final budget worksession, even though the city manager had not proposed such a change. The decision was made at 1:30 a.m. after councilmembers had gotten tired and testy. As usual, this final worksession occurred too late to be reported before the budget was adopted, and there was criticism that the public hadn't had a chance to comment.

So this year the council decided to hold a second public hearing before the budget is formally presented for adoption. The problem is, of course, that

the public hearing falls right after the final budget worksession and before the press has had time to report on council's decision.

However, council has also decided to wait until the next meeting to finally adopt the budget. That meeting will be on June 7 and by that time this paper will have reported on the council's final budget decisions.

Citizens will have another opportunity to comment at that meeting. However, if public pressure should convince the council to change its mind at that late date, the city manager will again have to take calculator in hand and try to get all the figures right before final action by the council.



## EXECUTIVE SESSION MUNICIPAL BUILDING LIBRARY May 24, 1999 - 7:30 P.M.

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## REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL & 2ND PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED FY 2000 BUDGET MUNICIPAL BUILDING COUNCIL ROOM May 24, 1999 - 8:00 P.M.

### I. ORGANIZATION

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Meditation and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag
4. Consent Agenda - Approval of Staff Recommendations

*(The consent agenda consists of those items which have asterisks (\*) placed beside them, subject to such revisions as may be made by the Council prior to approval)*

5. Approval of Agenda and Additions

### II. COMMUNICATIONS

6. Presentations
  - Proclamation "60th Anniversary of the Greenbelt Library"
  - Donation towards Statue Renovation
  - Home & Garden Television Video
7. Public Hearing on FY 2000 Budget
8. Petitions and Requests  
*(Petitions received at the meeting will not be acted upon by the City Council at this meeting unless the standing rules are waived by the Council.)*
9. Minutes of Meetings
10. Administrative Reports
- \* 11. Committee Reports
  - Arts Advisory Board Report
  - Board of Elections Report #99-1
  - Youth Advisory Committee Report

### III. LEGISLATION

12. An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 11, "Motor Vehicles and Traffic", of the Greenbelt City Code for the Purpose of Making a Technical Correction to Ordinance 1180
  - 2nd Reading

### IV. OTHER BUSINESS

13. Presentation on Anacostia Trails Heritage Area
14. Parking concerns at Ridge & Research
15. Award of Contract - Design Services for Attick Park Restroom Facility
16. Approval of Letter of Participation - FOGM Grant Application
- \* 17. Support for FOGM Grant Application for Walking Tour Panels
- \* 18. Reappointments to Park & Recreation Advisory Board
- \* 19. Appointments to City Advisory Groups

### V. MEETINGS

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David E. Moran, CMC  
City Clerk

GAVA, Aquatic Boosters, Arts Center and Babe Ruth, the budget would have to be increased by \$24,400.

## Miscellaneous

A Friends of the Greenbelt Museum proposal for historic panels would cost \$1,800. If council subsidizes fares on TheBus service to be initiated in Greenbelt, funds would have to be budgeted. The cost is not yet determined.

## Capital Projects

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## Council Reviews Budgets For Museum and CARES

by Betsy Likowski

The Greenbelt Museum would like to redesign the historic walking tour through Greenbelt to have pictures and explanations at several sites around the city. Greenbelt CARES is going well including the recently established crisis intervention counseling program that works closely with the city's police department. These are some of the issues discussed at a meeting about these budgets held on Monday, May 3. Though scheduled as one of a series of city council worksessions on the proposed Fiscal Year 2000 (FY2000) budget for the city, the lack of a quorum meant this was not an official city meeting, according to City Clerk David Moran. Mayor Judith Davis and Councilmember Rodney Roberts did conduct a thorough review. Councilmembers Thomas White and Alan Turnbull had previously advised the mayor that they could not attend the May 3 meeting and Edward Putens ended up not being able to attend the meeting.

### Museum

The Greenbelt Museum is located in 10 Court of Crescent Road and is open on Sunday afternoons. The city pays the monthly charges, miscellaneous items, and salary of a two day a week curator. In FY 2000 the amount for the curator, \$7,500, is slated to remain the same as the past two years the position has been in existence. The proposed total expenditure for the museum is \$11,500. Curator Katie Childress-Scott told the councilmembers that in the future the museum would love to have a full time director in addition to the curator position. She explained that there is so much museum related work that could be done but there is no staff time to do it including writing grant proposals for money.

The museum proposes redesigning the historic walking tour of Greenbelt. Proposed are interpretative panels at six selected sites like those used by the National Park Service. Pictures of the past at the site and a short description are proposed for: the

Roosevelt Center Mall, gas station on Centerway (the old firehouse), the Community Center, the house in which the museum is located, pool, and Greenbelt lake. The panels would cost \$600 each.

### CARES

The proposed expenditures in the FY 2000 proposed budget for Greenbelt CARES are virtually the same as last fiscal year's with operating expenses at \$280,400, of which \$250,100 is salaries and benefits. More than half (\$191,500) will come from the city and the rest from grants and class payments. CARES offers formal and informal counseling of children and youths and their parents. It also offers tutoring and has a job bank.

There are two part-time Crisis Intervention Counselors who provide full time coverage so that the police can refer people to

them when crisis situations arise. In FY99 the police referred 274 people to the counselors of whom 264 were seen to immediately. Director Carol Leventhal commented about this program that the CARES people are thrilled with the police and the police are thrilled with the CARES people.

City Manager Michael McLaughlin and Leventhal described how counselors have come to this program from local universities as students who are required to do field work. Their thinking was to contact other universities to send their students to this program. The counselors of this program have run a workshop for women living in violent domestic relationships and produced pamphlets as guidance resources for women in such situations.

### Washington EAR

A volunteer from Washington EAR was at the meeting to ask council to continue its longstanding practice of giving a grant to this reading service for the visually impaired. A \$1,000 grant is in the FY 2000 budget.



Greenbelt Museum curator Katie Scott-Childress demonstrates the use of a rug beater at a recent docent training session. The Greenbelt Museum, at 10-B Crescent Road, is open every Sunday, 1-5 p.m. Museum docents are, left to right, Bernie Giess, Barbara Young, Pearl Siegel and Marion Hastings. Contact Barbara Havekost, 301-474-6369 if interested in being a docent.

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## FOP

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unique, noting the many different local jurisdictions she had lived in before moving to Greenbelt in 1989. "This is a very special community with a very special police department," she told the council. Her concern is that there is a change in the air. "I want to have the feeling to be able to sleep at night and know that there is someone out there in the rain," she continued. Price would rather have a smaller department of well-paid officers that understand the community than a larger department that doesn't care about where they work. Saying that most people don't know how important the police are, she, too, was not that well-informed until she took the civilian police academy offered by the department.

Council remained noncommittal about whether or not it would grant any of the FOP requests. However, two councilmembers, Edward Putens and Alan Turnbull, expressed support for the bottom item on the union's list, increasing the number of MPOs. In that they were supported by Chief James Craze, who felt that anyone qualified should receive the extra 2.5 percent raise.

At the end of the meeting, Rogers set on the table a pile of papers which he said were over 200 letters prepared by the FOP and signed by various citizens and merchants. While reading the text of the form letters, he told council he was not yet prepared to submit them, implying that the FOP would encourage a citizen turnout later.

Mayor Davis noted that the FOP did not put in their prepared letter that providing the FOP's requests would mean a tax increase. Rogers responded, "Of course not."

## POLICE BLOTTER

Based on information released by the Greenbelt Police Department.

### Assault

5900 block of Cherrywood Terrace, May 9, 7:01 p.m., a juvenile and another person became involved in a verbal altercation. The juvenile broke a bottle and attempted to cut the other person in the face with it. The victim deflected it but sustained a deep laceration to her hand that required treatment at a local hospital. After a few minutes, onlookers broke up the fight. The juvenile, with whom the victim had had previous contact, is described as a black female, 14 years of age, 5'6", with a thin build and black hair; she is known to the victim as "China."

### Drugs

Beltway Plaza Mall, May 8, 10:01 p.m., two juveniles were arrested for possession of marijuana after being observed on the mall security cameras smoking at the rear of a retail establishment. A security officer investigated and confirmed that the substance was apparently marijuana. A search also revealed paraphernalia commonly used for smoking marijuana.

Eleanor Roosevelt High School, May 11, 11:45 a.m., a 16-year-old female resident was found to possess marijuana and a razor box cutter. The youth was released to her mother after being charged on juvenile petition.

### Burglary and Theft

7800 block of Mandan Road, May 5, 8:03 p.m., a woman was on the steps in the building approaching her apartment when two youths fled out the front door of her apartment and into the courtyard area. Several items belonging to the woman were recovered.

7500 block of Greenway Cen-

ter Drive, May 7, 10:36 a.m., a secured computer room was entered and computer hardware devices and software were stolen.

5900 block of Cherrywood Terrace, May 7, 10 p.m., home electronic equipment was reported stolen. The method of entry is unknown.

7800 block of Hanover Parkway, May 8, 8:12 a.m., a 33-year-old male resident was arrested and charged with burglary after he kicked in the front door to his spouse's residence. He was left with the Department of Corrections for a hearing.

Safeway in Greenway Shopping Center, May 9, 6:16 p.m., a wallet was reported stolen from a purse after the victim was distracted. The victim was exiting the store when someone fell down in front of her and then she was bumped from behind. The victim realized her wallet was missing a short time later.

8000 block of Craddock Road, May 9, 7:12 p.m., home electronic and computer equipment and liquor were reported stolen. Entry was gained by prying the deadbolt lock off of a rear door.

7700 block of Greenbelt Road, May 12, 8:18 a.m., a 21-inch television was taken. Entry was not forced.

### Vehicle Crimes

The following vehicles were reported stolen: a tan 1989 four-door Lincoln Towncar with Maryland tags FZS 050, May 10, from Beltway Plaza Mall; a green 1987 Volvo sedan with Maryland tags GGB 813, May 11, from Greenway Shopping Center; and a blue 1994 Mitsubishi Diamante with Maryland tags GCR 870, May 11, from the 6100 block of Breezewood Court.

## Woman is Injured As Tree Limb Falls

by Al Geiger

A near tragedy occurred in Greenbelt Lake Park on Friday, May 14, when Kirsten Hendrickson, a resident of Greenbriar East, was struck by a falling tree limb when she was jogging in the park shortly after noon. She was flown to Prince George's Hospital Center after being carried by members of the Greenbelt Volunteer Rescue Squad to Braden Field where the helicopter could land. She was admitted to the trauma unit.

Seventh graders and kindergarteners from St. Hugh's school, out on a field trip to the lake, along with three teachers, witnessed the accident. One child was struck by the end of the branch that fell, but fortunately was not hurt. Maggie Sparks, seventh grade teacher, administered first aid to the victim until the rescue squad arrived.

The tree, behind 34 Lakeside Drive, is described as a large, "soft" maple tree. The limb was alive and leafed-out. It

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was nearly a foot in diameter and over 30 feet long. It fell from a height of about 40 feet. Why it broke remains a mystery.

Hendrickson has since been moved out of the intensive care unit. She is expected to make a full recovery.

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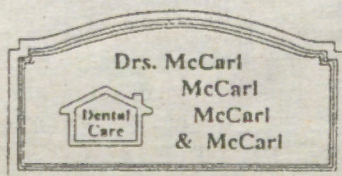
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## A Review

## Cowan and Hass Songs Charm the Audience

by Barbara Young

New Greenbelters, mezzo-soprano Ingrid Cowan and tenor Ole Hass, husband and wife, sang their hearts out in a lovely "Afternoon of Song" presented in Greenbelt Community Church on Sunday afternoon, May 16. It was obvious that their program of songs had been carefully composed to be of exactly the right length, neither too long nor too short. And so it was. The audience loved every minute of it.

Much about the afternoon was perfect. The sky was blue, the church was full of breeze and flickering sunshine and shadows, and Ingrid Cowan and Ole Hass were warm-spirited, highly skilled

irony that beneath spring's beauty is the need to accept inevitable change.

Sparkling Ingrid Cowan, in long black gown and pearls, her long, dark hair upswept, took immediate control when she appeared before the audience for a splendid rendition of three Brahms songs. The audience was charmed by her warmth as well as her strong, well-modulated, expressive voice, obvious deep understanding of her material, and a smile as appealing as her husband's. Her German was as flawless as her husband's English.

The couple then sang two duets, one a touching Robert Schumann love song set to the words of Goethe. Ingrid Cowan introduced it as describing their real-life feelings when she and Ole were separated by an ocean and longing for one another in the pe-



Ole Hass

purveyors of beautiful sounds and sentiments to an audience ready to embrace them. Susan Slingland, their talented piano accompanist, was perfect, even without a page-turner to assist her.

From the time he first appeared to sing two short Purcell songs in impeccable English, soloist Hass, born in Homburg, Germany, a man with a compelling voice, seamless breathing and a brilliant smile, seemed also to be a performer without nerves, full of rapport with his audience and in total control of his expressive tenor. Before intermission he gave a beautiful rendition of three Franz Schubert songs (although one, "Standchen," or "Serenade," may seem a bit overworked). "Frühlingsglaube" ("Spring Faith") expressed the



Ingrid Cowan

riod before their eventual marriage. The second song was "Lover's Serenade," a humorous Schumann back-and-forth between Ole Hass's imploring lover, down on his knees, desperate to get out of the rain and join the object of his affections inside, and Ingrid Cowan's ringing, melodic refusal to let him in.

After intermission, the short works of composers Richard Hundley, George Gershwin, Frederick Loewe and Jacques Offenbach delighted the audience, as did the traditional songs "All the Little Horses" and "Black is the Color of My True Love's

## Sullivan Speaks To Garden Club

Joe Sullivan, garden writer for the Beltsville News and 12 year volunteer veteran of the Horticultural Line (gardening telephone help line) at Brookside Gardens, will speak to the Beltsville garden club on the problems of gardening in the DC area.

The meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 26, at 7:30 p.m., at the Duckworth School at 11201 Evans Trail in Beltsville. (Evans Trails is the first street to the left, west of Interstate 95, off Powder Mill road). Refreshments and door prizes will follow the meeting. Admission is free and the public is invited. For information call 301-384-2415.

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Hair," well sung by Cowan. Richard Hundley's "Astronomers," sung by Hass, is a strange, moving song about a gravestone epitaph: "We have loved the stars too deeply to be afraid of the night." Hass was especially effective in the poignant, underplayed reading he gave this startlingly beautiful selection.

The final duet was a humorous one from Jaques Offenbach's opera "La Pericole," with Hass playing a lover somewhat under the weather. The audience enjoyed it thoroughly.

## Pharmacy Topics By Sajida Qayumi, Rph.



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## Greenbelt Theatre Friends Elect Denney President

by Altorio Bell Ross

After five months of organizing the promotional and financial support for the Greenbelt Theatre, the city started a transition toward volunteer leadership last week. As a result, the Friends of the Greenbelt Theatre filled three positions within its group at its last meeting.

Kevin Denney, a U.S. postal employee from Bowie, was named president of the organization. In a telephone interview on Monday, Denney said he and his wife, Donna, stumbled upon the theatre nine years ago and have been patronizing it ever since.

"It's something I have always wanted to do; to help a run a theatre. It's a gas," said Denney, who drives 30 minutes to get to the cinema.

"I just love it (the theatre)," said Denney, who joined the Friends in December. "It's fabulous."

Denney will not be alone in steering the organization. Ashok Ambardear of Greenbelt will be the publicity chair, tasked with promoting the theatre, and Susan Jones, also of Greenbelt, will be

the membership chair, responsible for handling the computer database. Also at that meeting, the group discussed possible features for this summer's festivals that included more Hitchcock movies, James Bond films, and work by Stanley Kubrick, who created "Clockwork Orange," according to Sarah Schaffer, who has been the spokeswoman for the Save the Greenbelt Theatre on Thursday. She is city recreation coordinator at the Community Center.

To raise funds for the theatre, the organization also plans to have an artist paint a facade of the theatre and sell the prints, Schaffer added. However, Denney said he has hopes that one day this type of assistance will no longer be needed from the group.

"I'd like to see it (the theatre) get on its feet," he said. But in the meantime, Denney said he would like to see more people at the meetings. The community's next chance to participate in the planning of the Friends of the Greenbelt Theatre will be on Thursday, June 10 at 7:30 p.m. at the Greenbelt Community Center.

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## The Sound Scene

By Nick Mydra

I went to a piano concert at the Community Center last Friday night, May 14. The person doing the performing was Thomas Pandolfi. My notes had a couple of phrases. The first was "those that can't teach," and "talk the talk." Yes, Thomas Pandolfi teaches beginners and advanced students of piano, but he can play as well. Hence "walk the walk." To a crowd of about 150 people, he performed six works by five composers. This Washington native, who just recently won the Bartok-Kabalevsky-Prokofiev piano competition in April, "wowed" everyone who was there in the Community Center gymnasium. A few months past I gave a review of a pianist who is on the faculty of an area music school. I said his performance of a Russian composer was passionless. Friday night Pandolfi was anything but.

The evening started out with a Fantasia quasi sonata by Liszt. Pandolfi played with crispness and a conciseness, yet with feeling. Nocturne in D-Flat Major, Op. 9, No. 2 by Scriabin is a piano piece for the left hand only. Because most of us are right handed and things usually are done on the right side to hear someone play with the left hand only with such clarity and technique was a real treat. The trills played in the upper register were flawless. The four to six hours a day of practice were evident on that piece. The first half ended with Schubert's Sonata in A Minor. It has three movements. His bachelors and master of arts degree from Juilliard School of Music really showed on the Sonata.

The second half started with Ballade, Op. 46 by Barber. It has passages that echo, or mirror another passage or phrase of music. Pandolfi did a nice job with



Thomas Pandolfi

that style. Dumka, Op. 59 by Tchaikovsky and Liszt's Hungarian Rhapsody, No. 12 finished out the concert. The Hungarian Rhapsody had parts where crashing and thundering attack of the notes contrasted with quiet and gentle phrasing.

The audience was in total darkness because the lighting system was either on or off. The stage lights gave Thomas Pandolfi enough light to perform by. Sitting in the darkness gave the slender tuxedo-tailed performer a certain mystical air as he sat at the seven foot Steinway and tickled the ivories. After a standing ovation he played three short encores, light showy pieces.

To some of those who were in the audience, the word interpretation may have come up. Did he go over the top with Liszt, or was he too reserved with Tchaikovsky? Just as in any art form, it becomes something of a personal like or dislike. Personally, I think you'll be hearing a lot more from Thomas Pandolfi. Some day maybe if you were to ask Pandolfi how do you get to Carnegie Hall? He'll say, "Come with me, I'm going there myself." What a nice surprise to be in a large audience and to hear such wonderful applause. My fadora is off to the Greenbelt Arts Center for sponsoring the concert.

## A Review

### Midsummer Night's Dream Full of Wit and Charm

by Dennis Jelalian

Michael Hoffman's production of Shakespeare's A Midsummer Night's Dream opened for a month's run at the Old Greenbelt Theatre on Friday.

The first thing you notice about this film is that it's set in 19th century Italy. Why Italy? Well, it provides lush landscapes, a charming hill town, and a regal palace. And production costs are probably lower in Italy.

Oberon's enchanted forest was probably shot in a studio, but it's none the less charming for that.

Why the 19th century? Well, it's important that every age reinterpret the classics. It gives us fresh perspectives. The 19th century lends this production a pleasant old fashioned atmosphere, and allows the lovers to use that latest marvel of modern technology, the bicycle, to chase each other through Oberon's enchanted wood with delightful results.

Moreover, the 19th century was the Victorian era, a time of stern moral codes. It was also a time when children were expected to obey their parents, so it seems an appropriate setting for this tale of

young lovers rebelling against the authority of parents and the state.

The movie abounds in excellent performances. Theseus is suitably just and regal as the Duke. The beautiful and talented Sophie Marceau plays the Duke's intended bride Hippolyta. While Marceau only has a cameo in this film, she is capable of much more.

Shakespeare reminds us of all the foibles of human love. That he does so with wit and grace is the reason we still enjoy A Midsummer Night's Dream.

#### Lovers

The young lovers: Hermia (Anna Friel), Lysander (Dominic West), Demetrius (Christian Bale), and Helena (Calista Flockhart), all carry out Shakespeare's design in excellent fashion.

Rupert Everett is suitably imposing as Oberon, king of the fairies. Michelle Pfeiffer doesn't seem quite regal enough for Titania, but her performance is credible. Her scenes with Bottom are her best.

Besides the amusing and instructive antics of the lovers, one of the charms of Midsummer Night's Dream is that marvelous

group of "rude mechanicals"; the group of oafs, blockheads and incompetents that plan to perform "Pyramus and Thisbe" for the Duke's wedding. They are led by Nick Bottom (Kevin Kline), who is portrayed as a philandering dandy with delusions of grandeur as the star of the show. It's a gentle portrait, full of humor. Doubtless, Shakespeare drew these bumbling from his own experiences in the theater. It's a loving and a funny portrait. We can sympathize with Shakespeare's malaise while we laugh at the results.

Midsummer Night's Dream carries a PG-13 rating for sensuality and nudity. The episodes are brief, and I did not find them at all objectionable.

Theatre owner Paul Sanchez is making every effort to make a going concern of the Greenbelt Theatre. This is the first time in ten years the theatre has had a first run movie. In order to get Midsummer Night's Dream, Sanchez had to agree to run the film for a month. This is a big risk for him. So, go see this wonderful movie, and take all your friends. Support the Greenbelt Theatre!

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When the Eustachian tube becomes obstructed, either due to swelling of the tube from a cold or allergy, or due to enlarged adenoids pressing on the inner opening, the middle ear fills with fluid, a negative pressure develops sucking in the ear drums, and crackling and popping is heard when one moves one's head. The presence of stagnant fluid leads to infection and pus in the middle ear. The accumulation of pus will make the ear drums bulge until finally the drums may rupture allowing the pus to drain through the outer canal to the outside. Ear infections are often accompanied by fever. Both a sucked-in drum and a bulging drum can be extremely painful. After the rupture the pain subsides. (Why ear aches seem to start always at night and on weekends I do not know!) Thus middle ear infections are usually preceded by colds or allergies.

When a doctor looks into an ear canal he or she will note: a) a normal ear drum with a shiny gray color; or b) a retracted ear drum with a fluid-air level; or c) a red, dull ear drum indicating infection; or d) a ruptured ear drum with pus in the canal. A ruptured drum usually heals quickly, and if treated properly it will be as good as new.

Middle ear infections are usually treated with antibiotics. Which one we use is mostly guesswork, because we cannot easily culture the middle ear (like we can the throat). Sometimes the first antibiotic we choose may not work, either because the germ is resistant to it, or because the causative organism is a virus, in which case no antibiotic will work.

After a course of antibiotics is finished, a middle ear infection should always be rechecked by the doctor, to make sure it is all gone. Otherwise, fluid and pus may remain in the middle ear and cause serious problems later.

If a child gets many ear infections, or fluid remains in the middle ear for long periods of time, an ENT doctor (otolaryngologist) should be consulted to determine if ventilation tubes may be necessary.

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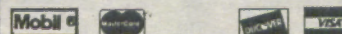
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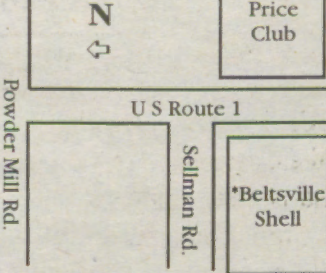
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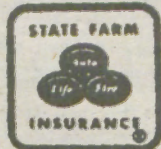
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## Funding for Arts and GAVA Yet to Be Resolved

by Drew Clark

A Greenbelt city proposal for a full-time arts coordinator raised questions about the future role of the Greenbelt Association for the Visual Arts and led to division among city council members about the appropriateness of the city funding volunteer activities.

While the full-time visual and performing arts coordinator was a highlight of the Department of Recreation and Parks' proposed fiscal year 2000 budget, the initiative—and its likely impact upon existing arts management in Greenbelt—uncorked a three-way debate including GAVA officials, city staff, and city council members at a budget work session meeting that lasted well past midnight on May 12.

The department presented a budget of \$3,409,800, a 5% increase over the estimated total budget to be used in fiscal year 1999 and a 3% increase over the amount the department was funded for the fiscal year. Last year the Council allotted the department \$3,310,900, \$3,258,300 of which is expected to be spent by the end of the fiscal year on June 30.

By budgeting \$34,000 in salary and benefits for the arts coordinator, the city's new position and other cultural enhancements would push the community center's budget—already one-fifth of the total recreation department budget—to \$629,700. That sum was projected to grow 11% over last year's utilized budget, or 4% more than last year's allocated budget. The only other comparable increases were in the category that covers special event programs such as the Labor Day festival and in administrative expenses of \$20,000 for computer equipment.

Although several council members saw the question about whether to fund an arts coordinator as logically distinct from whether or not to renew GAVA's contract with the city to provide visual arts classes for children and adults, the two subjects became inextricably linked in the debate over the new position.

### Spend \$21,000?

Even more explosive was the question about whether the city should spend \$21,000—an amount not currently included in the proposed budget—to support GAVA by paying salaries to the group's organizers. In a memo to the council in preparation for the meeting, city manager Michael McLaughlin described GAVA's last-minute proposal as "a request to compensate members of GAVA for support functions."

"What I want to ask is what is it that is going to cost the city \$21,000?" said councilmember Edward Putens. "And where else do we have paid volunteers? I am a little bit concerned about the precedent we are setting."

"This is our job and this is what we do as professionals," replied Barbara Simon, director of children's programs for GAVA. While conceding that GAVA's proposal to retain its autonomy and still renew its contract represented a "very cutting edge agreement," she argued that non-profit arts organizations couldn't support themselves and need to turn to local governments for funding.

"The good you do may outweigh the cost," said Putens. "But there are some things out

there that need to be answered."

Other council members and audience members concurred. "My stomach is in knots with the argument that the arts should be paid for while boys' and girls' club shouldn't be," said one participant. "It crosses the line in that you are paying two people personally."

While the city's proposed arts coordinator itself enjoyed greater council support, it was not without reservations about how the position would be implemented.

"This comes close to what I've seen the city wanted to have," said Alan Turnbull. The city should "ratchet up" the job description from its current "intermediate or para-professional" level and instead seek an experienced arts administrator who could conceivably pay for the program by obtaining grants.

"The city has so many people trying to do so many things, but not enough communication," Turnbull said. "To have the recreational program we have and not to have one person at a senior level working in the arts is a real oversight."

### Challenge

But many wondered whether it would be a challenge to successfully coordinate the activities or organizations ranging from GAVA to the Greenbelt Museum, and from theater programs and the New Deal Café to the arts activities in Green Ridge House. Mayor pro tem Thomas White put the question directly to Community Center Supervisor Joe McNeal: "what are the implications of the city's recommendation for a full-time coordinator upon GAVA?"

"The recommendation for an arts coordinator is to supervise the ceramics studio, but not provide day-to-day monitoring," said McNeal. "If the city took over GAVA, the arts coordinator would not be able to dedicate as much time to seeking grants. It would limit the scope of programs we could manage."

"No one has been able to convince me that there isn't tension between an arts coordinator being a staff person and the GAVA program," White said. "Both programs are worthy, and they can stand on their merits, but I don't know how they will be implemented," he said, citing potential "turf wars" that McLaughlin conceded were a possibility. "With the exception of the memo, we have had a very good relationship with GAVA," said Recreation Director Hank Irving. "But the arts coordinator would not be at GAVA's beck and call." Instead the person would work for the citizenry.

Councilmember Rodney Roberts raised the concern that an arts coordinator might deprive the city of what members widely agreed had been the good work by GAVA in providing arts education.

"I don't see an arts coordinator getting involved in the nitty gritty" of managing the ceramics program," said Roberts. Instead, they should "make everything work together."

### Hard Decision

But when it came to deciding the balance between GAVA responsibilities and city responsibilities, city officials had a hard time deciding what they wanted to do.

In two memos during the week preceding the council work session meeting—held in the Community Center—city officials

changed their position about the appropriate balance between the two methods of providing visual arts support.

In a May 6 memo to Irving and McLaughlin, McNeal of the Community Center noted "the reason that GAVA exists today is because the City was not able to hire an arts coordinator when the Community Center opened in January of 1996." While the department was willing to renew GAVA's contract, McNeal said that the city could provide a similar program itself.

Within less than a week and after a flurry of meetings between recreation department officials and Simon and Jessica Gitlis of GAVA, the city's position had shifted.

"The Arts Coordinator cannot operate the ceramics studio on a daily basis, so the Recreation Department now supports funding for the ceramics studio manager," McLaughlin wrote the council in his May 12 memo.

McLaughlin and recreation department officials left council with three choices for what to do with GAVA in the event that it hires an arts coordinator. The options are: cut GAVA's funding completely and replace its programs within the recreation department, pay \$11,000 to maintain the ceramics studio—the option outlined in its May 6 memo and since repudiated, or accede to GAVA's proposal for \$21,000 to maintain its program as is.

The decision was expected to be taken at the final budget workstation meeting on Wednesday, May 19.

### Other Issues

Other issues discussed included the extensive delay in obtaining government approval to install windows in the historically designated Community Center and the declining percentage of non-Greenbelt residents attending the Aquatic Center.

In the budget as a whole, operating costs are proposed to increase by 6% over the estimated budget, even though it is a 0.3%

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